**Update the following as needed. There are many inflation calculators on the Internet. This is a good pre-reading activity for A Raisin in the Sun.**

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| <http://www.coinnews.net/tools/cpi-inflation-calculator/>  **Cost of living in the 1950’s**  House: $14,500  Average income: $3,216 Ford car: $1339-$2262 Philco model 1403 TV: 199 12" records: $4.85 10" records: $2.85 Milk: $.82 Gas: $.20 Bread$.14  Postage stamp: $.03  [http://www.fiftiesweb.com/pop/prices- 1950.htm](http://www.fiftiesweb.com/pop/prices-%201950.htm) | | |  | |  | |
| **Nyack Average home 2009** | | | | | | |
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| 1950 | College, College of Liberal Arts for Women, School of Engineering and Applied Science (SEAS), the Wharton School, the School of Nursing, and the School of Allied Medical Professions (SAMP) Tuition: $600 General Fee: $25 | Graduate School of Arts and Sciences:  Tuition: $500 General Fee: $25  Education:  Tuition: $600 General Fee: $25  Law:  Tuition: $600 General Fee: $20  Medicine:  Tuition: $700 General Fee: $20 | Room and Board: $690 Books: $50 |

<http://www.archives.upenn.edu/histy/features/tuition/1950.html>

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| 2009-2010 | Arts & Sciences, Engineering, Nursing, Wharton:  Tuition: $34,868  General Fee: $3,178  Technology Fee: $624  Recreation Fee: $300 | Full-Time Graduate Groups (Ph.D.):  Annenberg, Arts & Sciences, Design, Engineering, Nursing, Social Policy & Practice, Wharton:  Tuition: $24,720  General Fee: $2,074 Technology Fee (if applicable): $624  Biomedical Sciences:  Tuition: $24,720 General Fee: $2,074  Technology Fee: $1,082  Other Full -Time Graduate/Professional Schools and Programs (selected non-Ph.D. programs):  Law: Tuition: $43,680 General Fee: $2,074 Technology Fee: $760  Within Medicine, the M.D. program:  Tuition: $42,472  General Fee: $2,074 Technology Fee: $1,000 |

<http://www.archives.upenn.edu/histy/features/tuition/2000.html>

Using the figures from 1950 and 2009-2010, make a bar graph to illustrate the price change in college tuition and expenses at the University of Pennsylvania.

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**1. 1950’s tuition, room and board.**

**2. 2009 tuition (Art and Sciences)**

**3. 1950’s Law tuition and fees**

**4. 2009 Law tuition and fees**

**5. 1950’s Medicine tuition and fees**

**6. 2009 Medicine tuition and fees**

**7. Average cost of a house in the 1950’s**

**8. Average cost of a house in Nyack, NY in 2009 (3 bedrooms)**